Botany Bay Song.

You have read of Captain Cook our late worthy commander,

The great Sir Joseph Banks, and Doctor Solander, They failed round the world, were perplexed ad teiz'd too,

To find out a place where the King might fend the thieves to.

CHORUS. Row dow dow, row dow de roude dowdy, row dow dow.

Now Botany Bay is the place that's intended, To fend the whole gang to, that their morals might be mended,

When the plan was made public it aftonish'd all beholders,
To part favages from favages by transporting soldiers.

All things are prepar'd and there's no alteration, Besides it is done for the good of the nation, But instead of box and dice they hear the rattling of

the drums, fir,
And the natives will be kill'd by the firing of their guns, fir.

I have an old friend who is no ways cenforious, He has given me a lift of the name, most notorious, The first is slender Billy a noted knowing prig, Who employ'd such a squad at a shop taxing rig.

Surly Ned he demurr'd, for a moment they waited, Tho' his cause was not heard being so adulterated, From the passing of his sentence all his law could not hinder,

For he helpt Billy in at the back chamber window.

Squinting Jack thought it hard, fat Charley thought it harder,

took notice of a nest all cast at one time too,
When looking into facts it was for the fame crime
too,

I thought to myself they had met with their rewards, Twas for making too free with a house beyond the Horse Guards:

One name I observ'd that was quite early dated,
Tho' his crimes they were black twas quite obliterated,
But examining more closely 'twas the noted Warren
Green Pease,
So lately in a mess for his villainies beyond seas.

A great number more whose crimes were not so heinous, But thinking on the subject it made me grow quite serious,

I examin'd them all round, found them birds of a feather,

Then I threw the paper down, and I lump'd them all together.

Of females I have faid ne'er a word all the while, But no doubt they will be fupply'd from this fav'rite life,

Then Britons fill your bumpers, rejoice now and fing, What a glorious fet that we have from their offspring.

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